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APPLICANT: TARABISHY, IMAD ED.
SERIAL NUMBER: 10/799,190
ENTITLED: BALL AND SHAFT OF A JOINT PROSTHESIS
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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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SIR:

In full and complete response to the office action mailed on 12/01/2004, the Applicant, as required under 35 U.S.C. 121, elects the following invention:

Election of Species:

Applicant elects, with traversal, the prosecution of the Invention of:

Prosthesis: Species C: Fig. 15, with Claims 1-4 readable thereon;

Methods: Species A: Figs. 21 & 22, but there are no claims directed to a "method"; and

Shell and/or cup material: Various parts of the cup are made from each of these materials, as set forth in the Specification at page 9, lines 1-3, and there are no claims directed to the "shell" or the "cup," but preserves all claims originally filed for a Divisional Application or Divisional Applications. It is, therefore, literally impossible to select a specie for the shell or cup and to designate claims concerning a method.